<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 8, 13, 16, and 26 have been amended to correct typographical and grammatical informalities. Applicants respectfully note that no new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

Because no new matter has been added, Applicants respectfully submit that the above-referenced patent application is entitled to the original filing date of December 31, 2003. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 512-439-5093, if there are any questions.

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